

**Focusing Investments in Emerging Movements
and a Longstanding Commitment to Women's Socioeconomic, Gender and Racial
Justice, The New York Women's Foundation Awards Over \$11 Million
to 175 Organizations**

**New Philanthropic Partnerships Focus on the Me Too Movement and Dismantling Mass
Incarceration in NYC**

New York (March 11, 2019) – Continuing to urgently respond to and invest in the needs of women leading movements and community solutions that confront economic, gender and racial injustice, **The New York Women's Foundation** ([The Foundation](#)) announced a record high of more than \$11 million in grants for 2018. Grants were made to 175 community organizations working to advance women's economic security, increase political leadership and civic participation, disrupt and prevent gender-based violence, and protect access to healthcare and sexual and reproductive justice.

"These extraordinarily demanding times call for increased responsiveness, investment, and collaboration from philanthropy. We have an opportunity to work together to leverage our resources strategically and effectively," said **Ana Oliveira, The New York Women's Foundation's President and CEO**. "Our 2018 grantmaking expresses The Foundation's increased response to the needs of historically underinvested communities most impacted by poverty and violence, particularly through building upon our philanthropic partnerships to maximize impact."

In 2018, The Foundation built on its philanthropic partnerships, seizing local and national opportunities to accelerate change. (The philanthropic partners of each fund can be viewed [here](#).)

The NYC Fund for Girls and Young Women of Color continued to support organizations working to address root causes of inequity for girls and young women of color and invested in organizations advancing housing justice, education access, and TGNC rights.

The Fund for the Me Too Movement and Allies, created in 2018 in partnership with Tarana Burke, founder of the 'me. too.' Movement, supported survivor-led organizations from around the nation working to deter sexual harassment, heal survivors of gender-based violence, and strengthen marginalized communities impacted by sexual abuse.

Launched in 2018, the **Justice Fund** introduces a family-centered paradigm to actively dismantle mass incarceration in New York City and supports organizations that create new paths for stability in the lives of New York City women, families, and communities. Its grants focused on key issues including closing the Rose M. Singer Center on Rikers Island and bail reform.

During a time when it is vitally important to maximize civic engagement and protect democracy, The Foundation's **Resilience NYC** initiative invested in organizations that support women's civic participation, political leadership and influence in public life, and work with women and families

directly impacted by changes in federal policies that target immigrant communities and trans and gender non-conforming individuals.

Since 1987, The New York Women's Foundation has distributed over \$77 million to over 400 organizations fighting for economic, gender, and racial justice for women and families in New York City and beyond.

A complete list of The New York Women's Foundation 2018 grantee partners can be viewed [here](#).

[About The New York Women's Foundation](#)

Since 1987, The New York Women's Foundation has advanced a dynamic philanthropic strategy based on the fundamental reality that, when women thrive, their families and communities also thrive. The Foundation's grantmaking places it at the top of public women's foundations in the United States, and in the top two in the world. We invest in women-led, community-based solutions that promote the economic security, safety, and health of the most vulnerable women in New York City. We foster women's leadership, create partnerships that spark catalytic change, exchange insights with experts across sectors, and empower women by training them in activism and philanthropy to accelerate and sustain forward progress. Visit <http://www.nywf.org> to learn more about our work to transform lives, families, and communities – and create a better New York City for all.

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